



USDA, AMS, Poultry Market News Weekly Egg Products Report

12-Metro Area Shell Eggs - week ending 22-Oct-99 - Average retail and invoice prices on sales to volume buyers, Grade A or better, white Large eggs in cartons, delivered store door (cents per dozen).

	Northeast	Midwest	Southern	Western	12-Metro Area
This week	56.80	44.58	47.82	62.28	55.08
Last week	50.07	41.34	45.25	60.28	51.30

Selected Cities - 22-Oct-99 **New York** 62-65 **Chicago** 53-58 **California** 67

Weekly Shell Egg and Breaking Stock Inventory - 18-Oct-99 - (30 DOZEN CASES - IN THOUSANDS)

	Northeast	North Central	South Central	South Atlantic	Pacific	5-Area	Breaking Stock	Total
Current week	126.3	227.1	111.2	152.7	167.6	784.9	502.5	1287.4
% change PW	-11	-7	-9	1	-15	-8	-1	-6

Breaking Stock - 22-Oct-99 - prices paid cents/dozen, material exchanged, 30-dozen case equivalent, 48 lb minimum, delivered to breakers.

	Central States		Eastern Region	
Nest Run	28-34 M	32-34	31-36 M	31-32
Checks & Undergrades	13-18 M	16-18	16-20	

Eggs Processed under federal inspection week ending 16-Oct-99.

Pounds in Thousands (excludes ingredients)						
	Cases Broken	Liquid Whole	Liquid White	Liquid Yolk	Dried	Inedible
Current Week	1,242,045	28,789	11,437	6,558	2,803	3,856
Previous Week	1,218,404	27,251	12,272	6,428	2,420	3,916
Last Year	1,055,824	25,402	9,496	4,995	2,073	3,430
% Change PW	2	6	-7	2	16	-2
% Change LY	18	13	20	31	35	12
To Date 1999	45,664,244	1,059,690	435,948	237,944	106,102	144,376
To Date 1998	43,378,759	988,063	430,453	229,010	105,298	139,557
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE						
Current Week:	40.77	Previous Week: 40.93		Last Year: 41.03		

National Liquid Eggs - 22-Oct-99 - prices paid cents/lb, f.o.b. plant, non-pasteurized trucklots, for delivery within 14 days.

Class	Loads	Range	Wtd. Avg.	Change From Last Week
Whole	20	22-33.5	29.13	4.69
Whites	15	24.75-27	25.68	.47
Yolks	12	42-51.5	49.29	.11

No pasteurized whites were reported. Pasteurized salt yolk reported at 52 and 52.5 cents FOB.

Frozen Egg Prices - 22-Oct-99 - wholesale selling prices cents/lb, 30 lb containers.

Class	Trucklot	Less-than-Trucklot (min 25 cont.)		
	Eastern	Central	Eastern	South California ²
Whole	41-46 M 43-44	40-45 M 42	48-52	47-50
Blends ³	Too Few To Report			-
Whites	36-41 M 38-40	37-40 M 37-39	43-54	42-45
Yolks ⁴				
Sugared	57-60 M 57-59	55-58 M 57	64-69	60-63
Salted	50-59 M 53-56	52-55 M 52-54	59-65	57-60

² f.o.b. shipping point

³ whole plus yolk plus sweetener, generally 28-32% egg solids

⁴ minimum 43% solids

National Dried Egg Prices - 22-Oct-99 - wholesale selling prices \$/lb, in containers, trucklot and less-than-trucklot volumes.

Class	Range	Mostly
Whole	1.53 - 1.70	1.55 - 1.65
Yolks	1.38 - 1.50	1.40 - 1.45
Albumen, Spray Dried	3.10 - 3.30	3.10 - 3.25
Blends (whole plus sweetener)	1.25 - 1.35	1.30 - 1.35

Number of Light Hens Sltrd. in Federally Inspected Plants (Thousands) Weekending 16-Oct-99

Fowl Slaughtered in U.S.		U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada		Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered	
This week	1,683	This week	353	This week	2,036
Last week	1,831	Last week	434	Last week	2,265
Last year	1,606	Last year	270	Last year	1,876
To Date 1999	85,576	To Date 1999	19,075	To Date 1999	104,651
To Date 1998	84,090	To Date 1998	21,603	To Date 1998	105,693

Inspected Egg Products

U.S. Exports To Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Oct-99

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	257	0	0	257
Last year*	619	0	0	619
To date 1999	10,875	6	464	11,345
To date 1998	11,987	50	537	12,574

U.S. Imports From Canada, in Thousand Pounds (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Oct-99

	Liquid	Frozen	Dried	Total
Current week	33	36	3	72
Last year*	41	0	0	41
To date 1999	3,642	401	169	4,212
To date 1998	3,338	172	235	3,745

Inspected Shell Eggs

U.S. Exports To Canada, in 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary) week ending - 09-Oct-99

	Jumbo	XLarge	Large	Medium	Ungraded	Misc	Total
Current week	0	1,530	4,740	750	15,740	0	22,760
Last year*	0	0	5,654	1,125	16,940	0	23,719
To date 1999	1,131	33,719	114,460	39,164	499,163	7,217	694,854
To date 1998	1,295	29,491	91,973	46,969	267,723	6,133	443,584

*Comparable week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) - Cold Storage - stocks in all warehouses on 30-Sep-99**Frozen Eggs (Thousand pounds)**

	Whites	Yolks	Whole & Mixed	Unclassified	Total
Current Month	557	705	6,182	976	8,420
Previous Month	665	677	6,255	1,213	8,810
Last Year	753	896	5,618	928	8,195
% of Previous Month	84	104	99	80	96
% of Last Year	74	79	110	105	103

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PURCHASE AND OFFER TO BUY: PASTEURIZED WHOLE EGGS**October 19, 1999**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS) today purchased 1,601,000 pounds of pasteurized whole eggs—to be produced from about 40,000 cases of shell eggs—for school lunch and other domestic food nutrition assistance programs. Details of today's purchase follow:

Product	Pounds Accepted	Award Prices Inv. No. 007	No. of Bids
5-pound cartons	1,001,000	\$0.4807-0.5288	4 of 4
Bulk tankers	600,000	\$0.3673-0.3724	1 of 2

Total purchases of pasteurized whole eggs since the program was announced June 1997 follow:

Product	Cumulative Pounds	Cumulative Dollars
5-pound cartons	26,133,000	\$14,256,000
30-pound containers	752,000	\$407,000
Bulk tankers	6,200,000	\$2,621,000

Next offers under Announcement PY-209 are due by 1 p.m., Washington, D.C. time, on the following date:

Inv. Number	Product	Offer Date	Acceptance Not Later Than Date	Delivery Period
023	5-pound cartons Bulk tankers	Nov. 01	Nov. 05	Dec. 16-31

The awards for pasteurized whole eggs under Announcement PY-209, Invitation 022, to be delivered Dec. 01 to Dec. 15 follow:

5-pound Cartons

American Egg Products, Inc.	80,040 @ \$0.5198
Crystal Lake Egg Products	160,080 @ \$0.4807-0.5007
Sonstegard Foods Company	640,320 @ \$0.4893-0.5188
Wenk Produce Company	120,060 @ \$0.5274-0.5288

Bulk Tankers

Sonstegard Foods Company	600,000 @ \$0.3673-0.3724
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Inquiries may be made by telephoning (202) 720-7693 or addressing the Contracting Officer, USDA/AMS/Poultry Programs, Commodity Procurement Branch STOP 0260, PO Box 96456, Washington, D.C. 20090-6456. An electronic version of this food purchase report can be obtained through the world wide web via the Commodity Procurement Home Page at <http://www.ams.usda.gov/cp>.

For additional information, please call 404-562-5850 (main office phone), 404-562-5870 (Johnny Freeman's phone), or 404-562-5875 (office fax). Internet address for individual reports: <http://www.ams.usda.gov/marketnews.htm>